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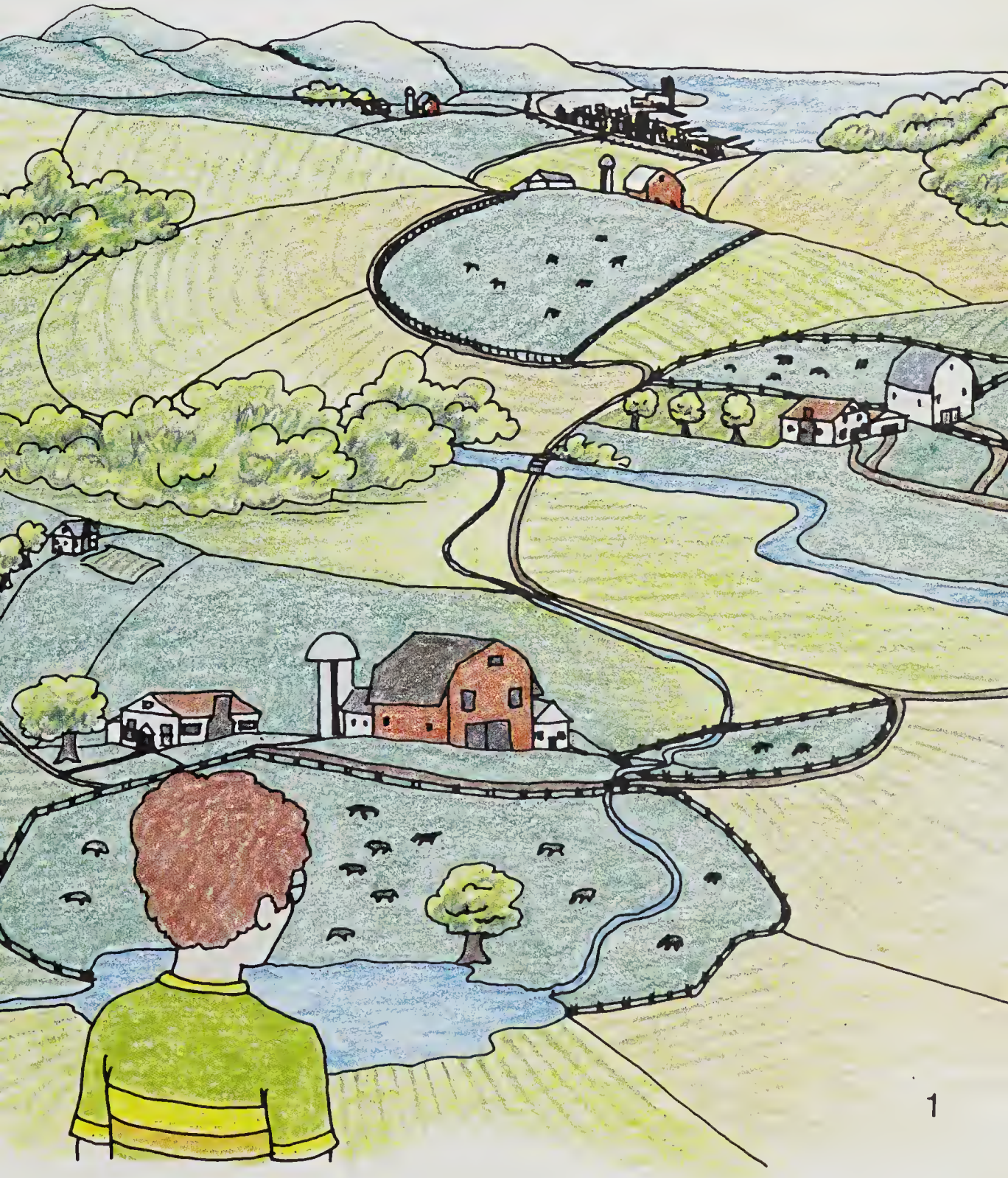
What do you know about this kind of neighbourhood?

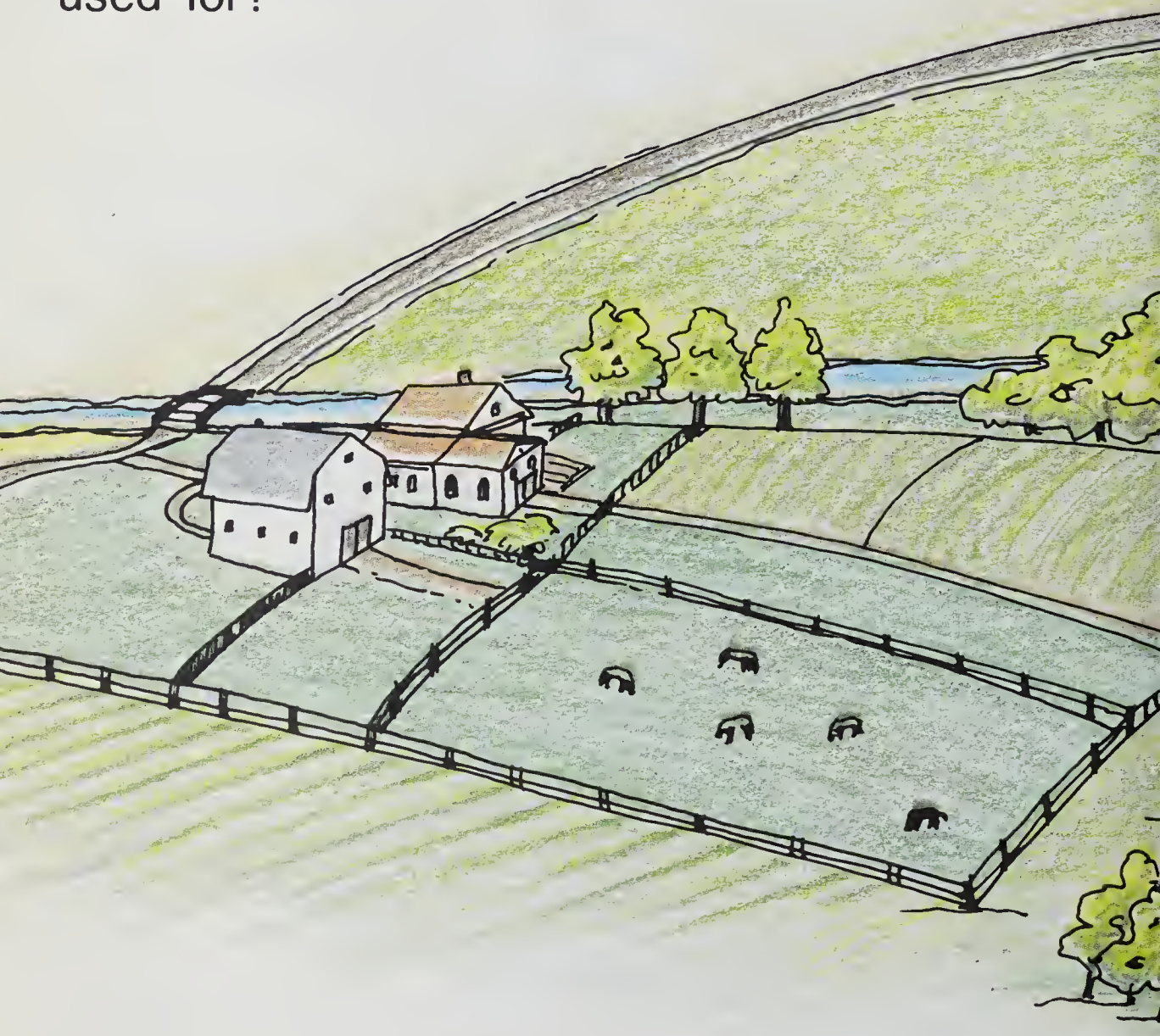


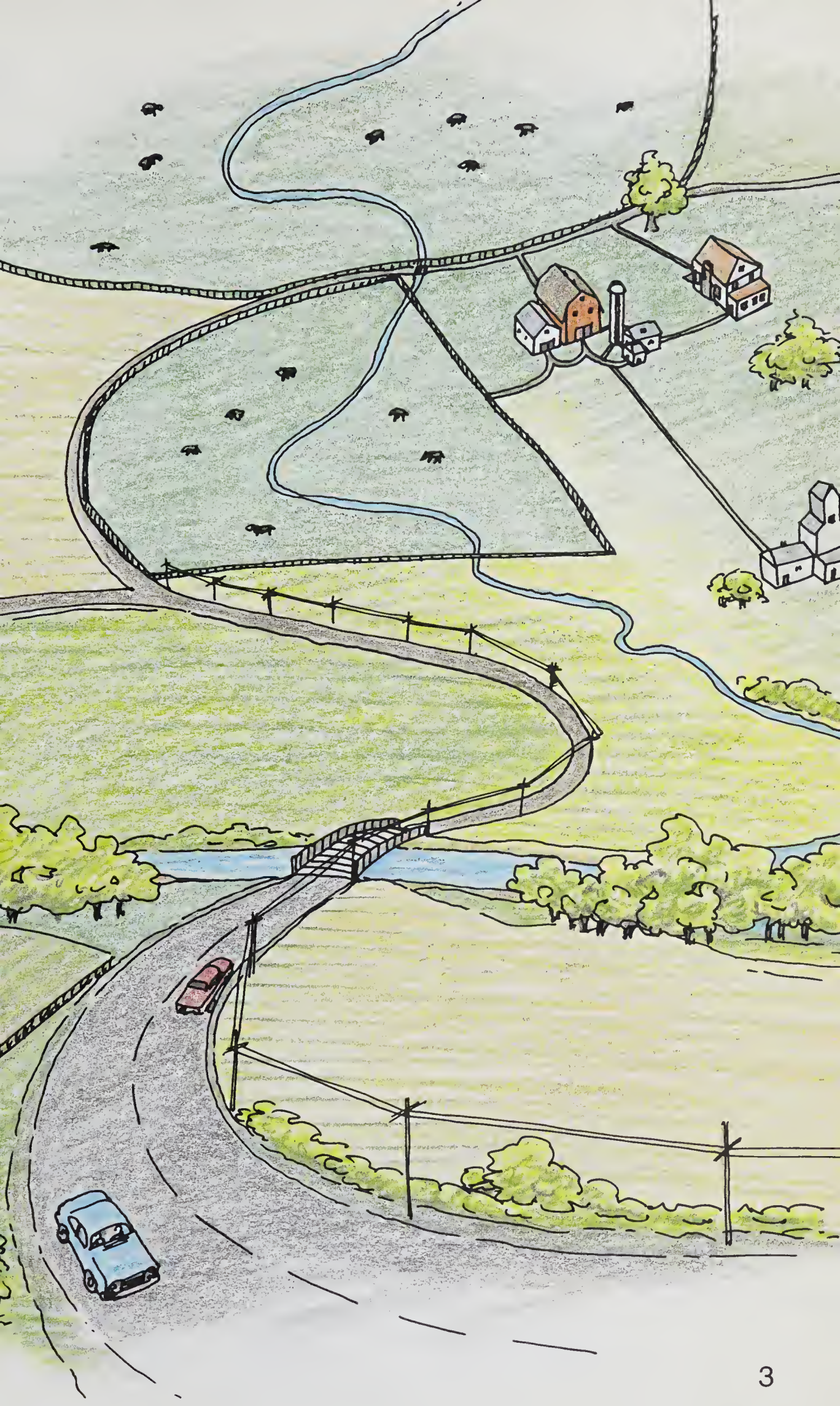
USE OF SPACE

Space is used in farm neighbourhoods in different ways. It might be used for

...places to live
...places to grow things
...places to store machines and tools
...places to shelter animals
...places to store crops

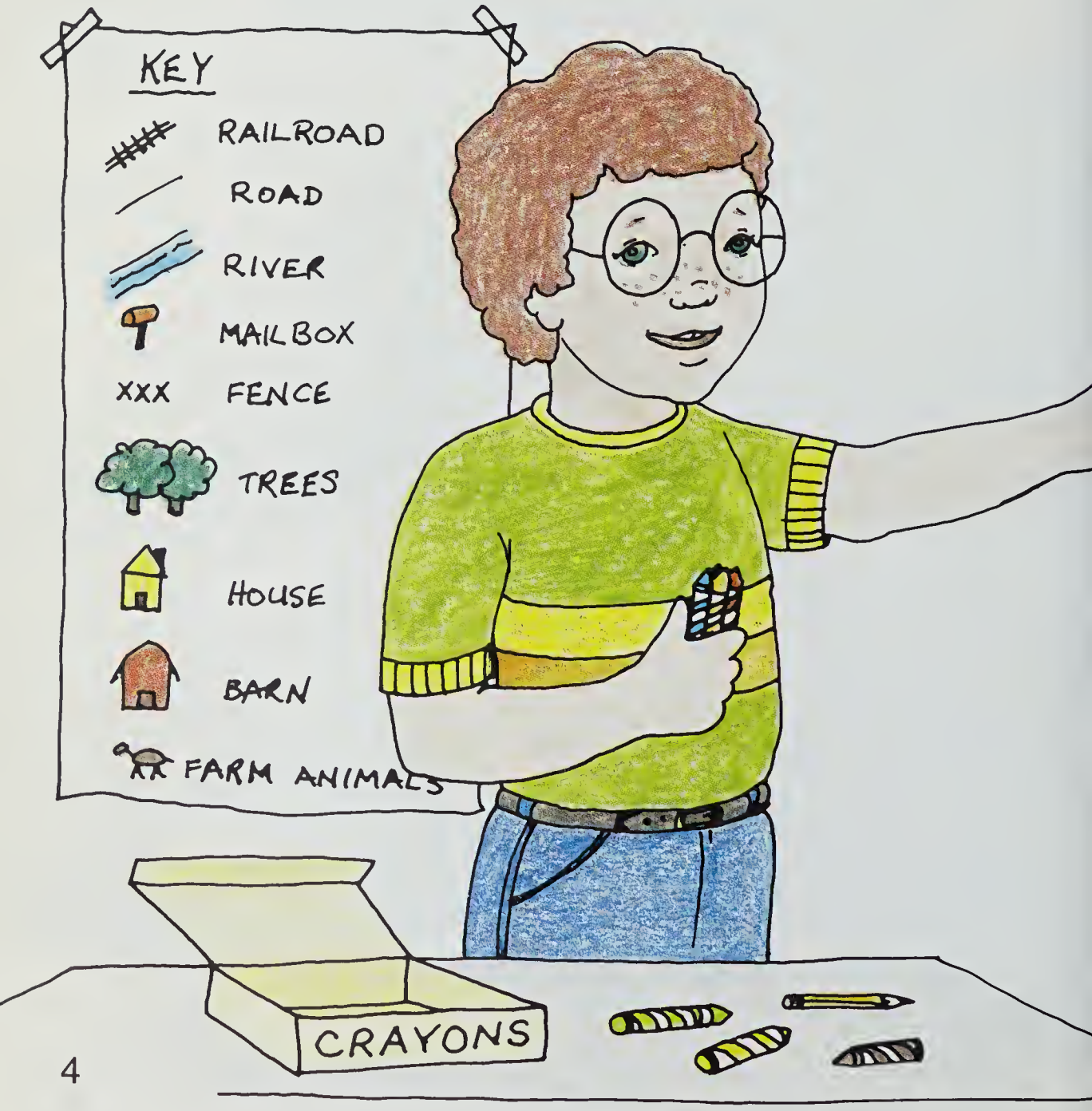
What is your neighbourhood space used for?

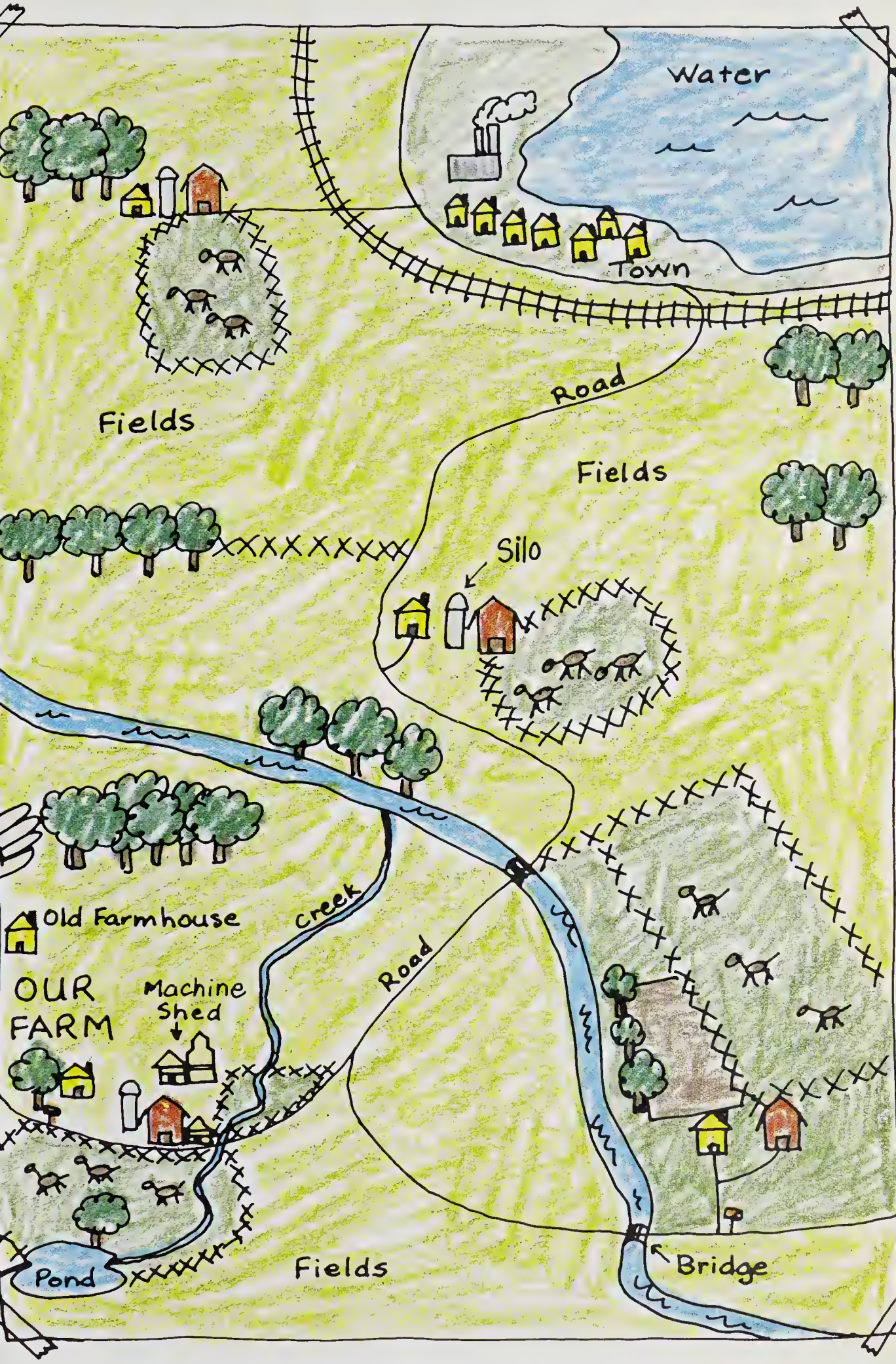




"Hi. My name is Joe. I live on a farm in the country. One of our neighbours lives on another farm next to us. Her house is five kilometres from our house. This is a map of our neighbourhood."

What can the map tell you about this kind of neighbourhood?




Water
Town
Road
Fields
Fields
Silo
Old Farmhouse
creek
Road
OUR FARM
Machine Shed
Pond
Fields
Bridge

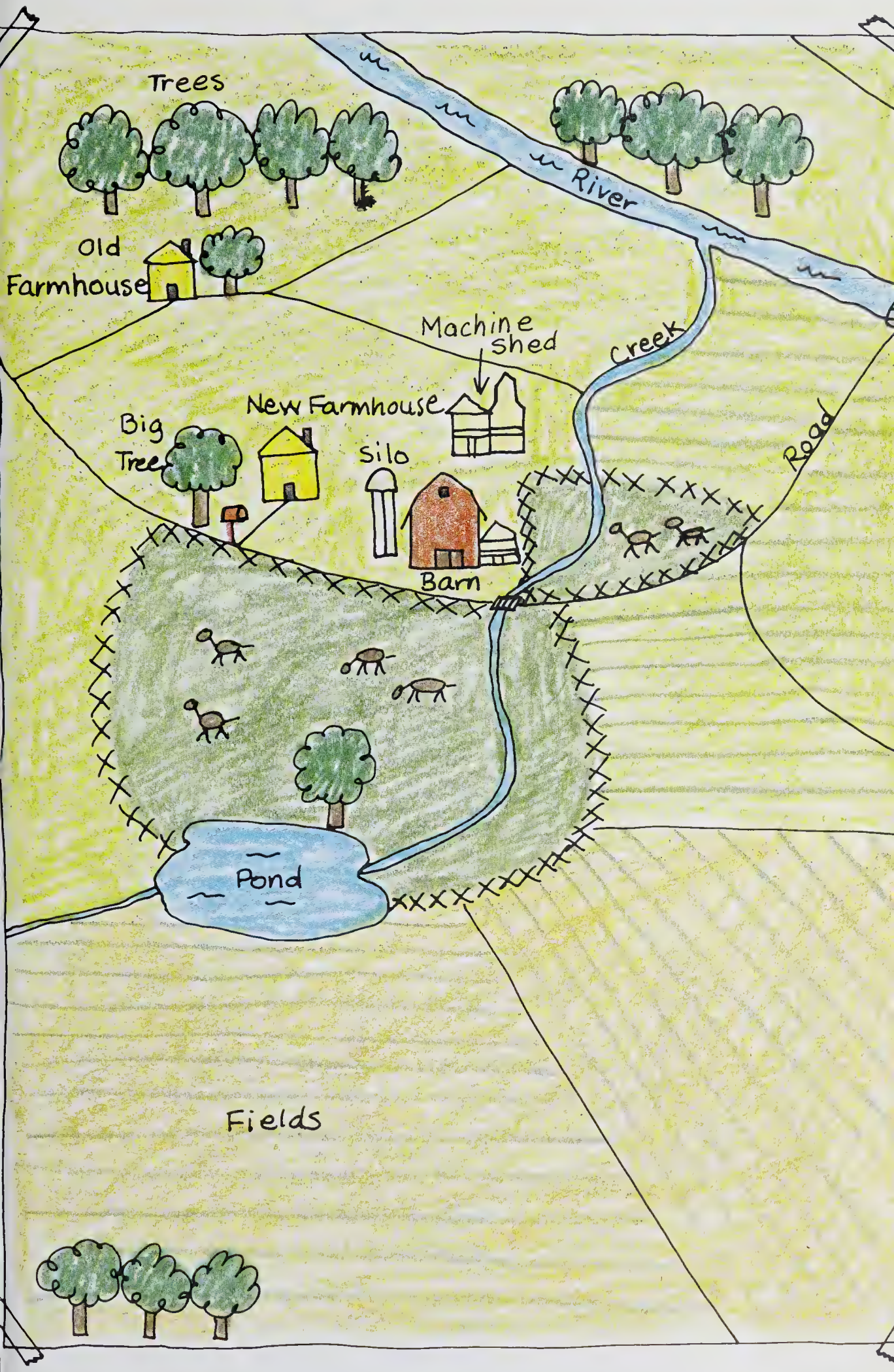
There are many kinds of farms. Some farmers have animals. They are for eggs and milk and meat. Other farmers grow plants like wheat and corn. Some grow plants like lettuce and tomatoes. Others have fruit trees.

Where do people in your neighbourhood get their food?

BUILDINGS

"Our farm is very large. We have lots of fields and buildings. My grandparents live in the old farmhouse. We live in the new one. We have three dogs. Lots of cats live in the barn. This is a map of our farm."

What can the map tell you about this farm? What kind is it? What kinds of buildings does it have? Why?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FUN

"There are lots of ways to have fun on our farm. I have a tire swing on the big tree in our front yard. In the summer, my friend and I sleep outdoors in a tent. We can go swimming in the swimming hole and fishing in the creek with my big sister. And, in the winter, we all go skating on the pond. 4-H is fun. This year I am learning how to care for a calf."

How do you and your friends have fun in your neighbourhood?

4-H CLUB
EXHIBITION

WORK

Farms are busy places. Farmers plant crops and harvest them. Sometimes, extra people come to work on the farms at very busy times. Some large farms have extra workers all year. Workers look after the fields, the barns, the animals, and the machinery.

Who does the work in your neighbourhood? What do they do?

DOG

"It's important to have a shopping list when we go to town. We have to remember all the things we need to buy. If we forget something, we have to wait until the next trip. In town, we see the people who help us. The veterinarian is a very important person. She helps us care for our animals. There's a doctor in town, too. There isn't a hospital. If there's an emergency, the town ambulance takes people to the city hospital."

What people or things do you need that are outside your neighbourhood? Why do you need them?

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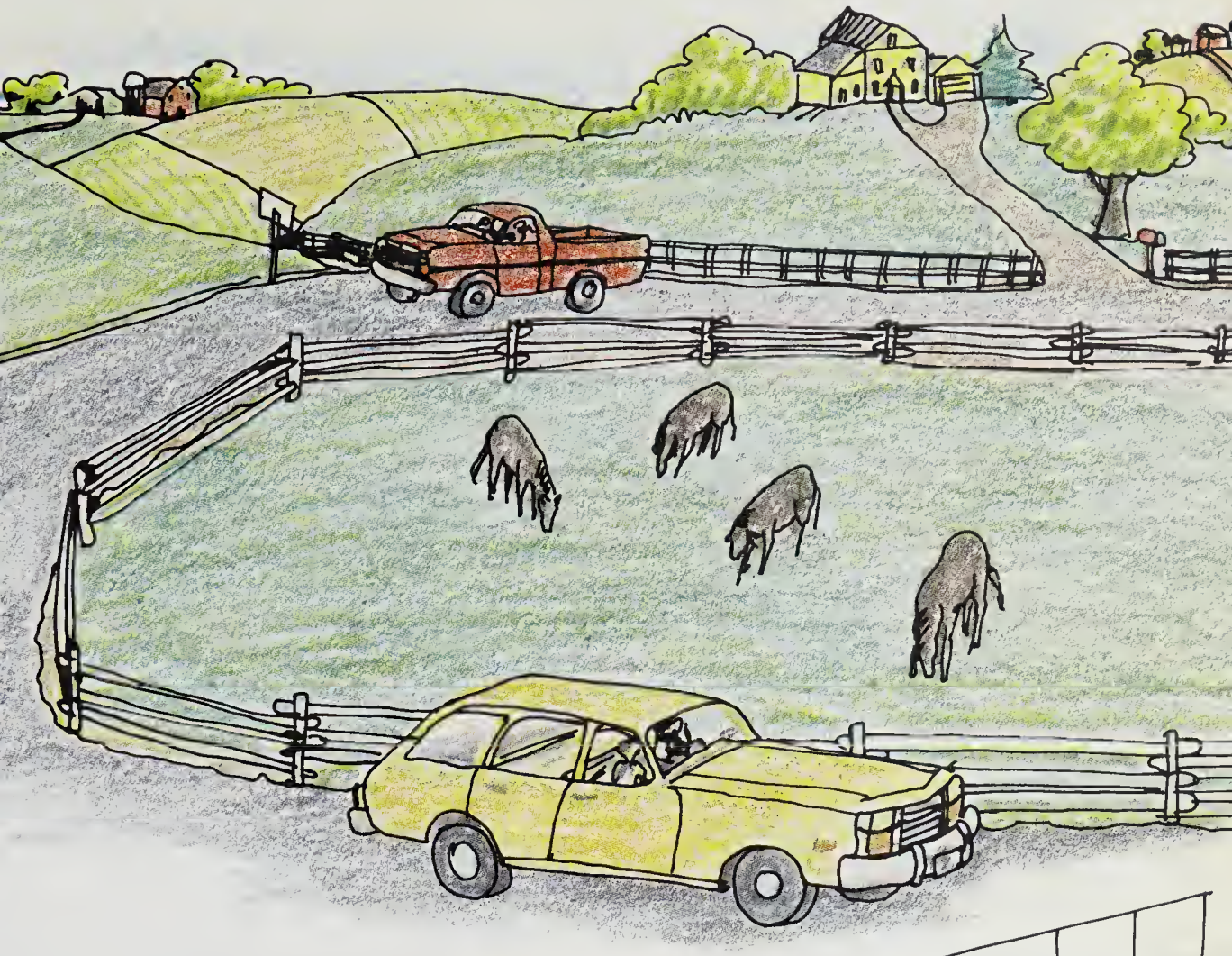
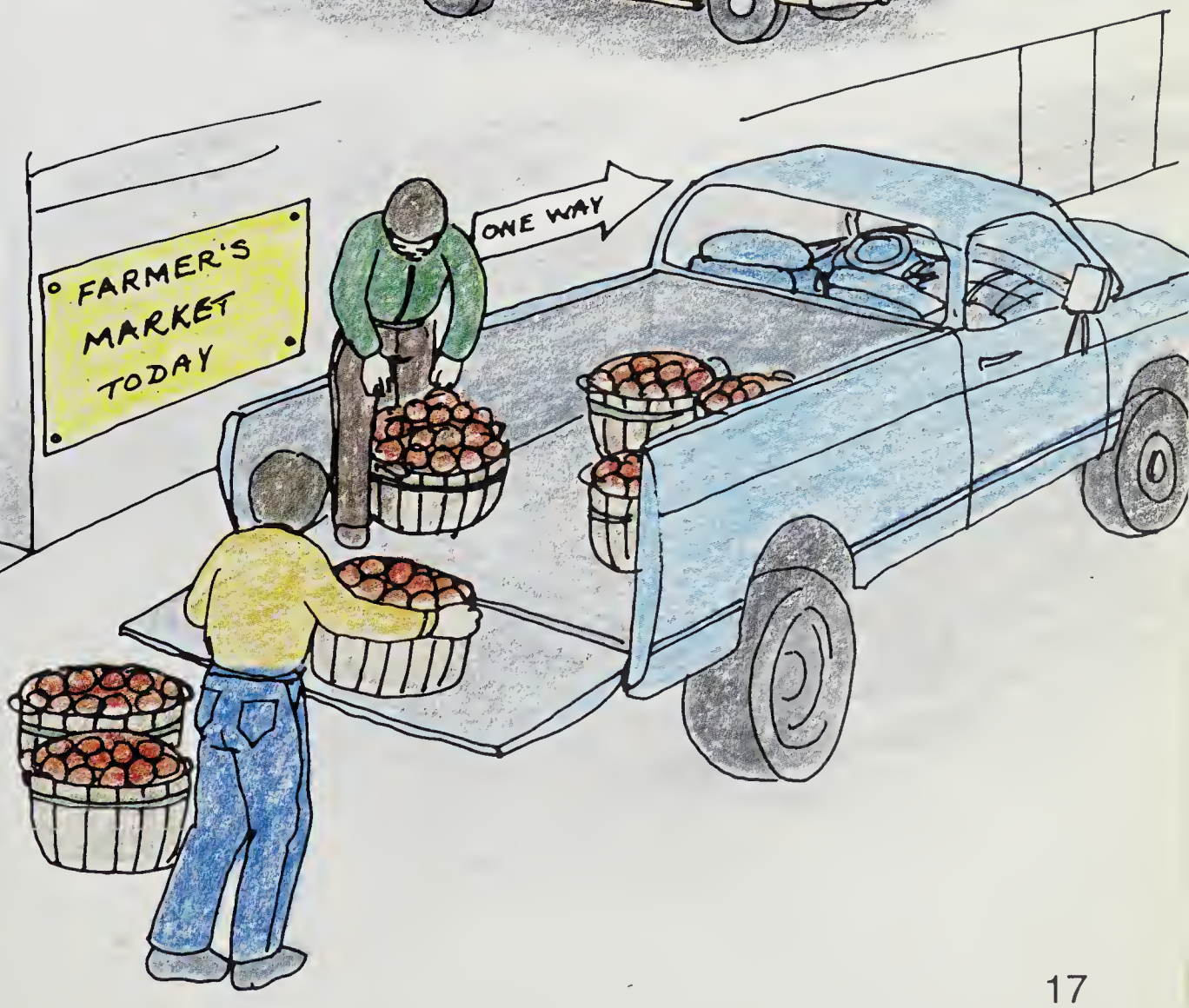
TRAVEL

Farms are often far apart from each other. They are often far from towns and cities, too. Cars and trucks are very important on farms. Farm people usually have to drive from place to place.

How do people travel inside your neighbourhood? How do things and ideas travel inside your neighbourhood?




FARMER'S
MARKET
TODAY
ONE WAY

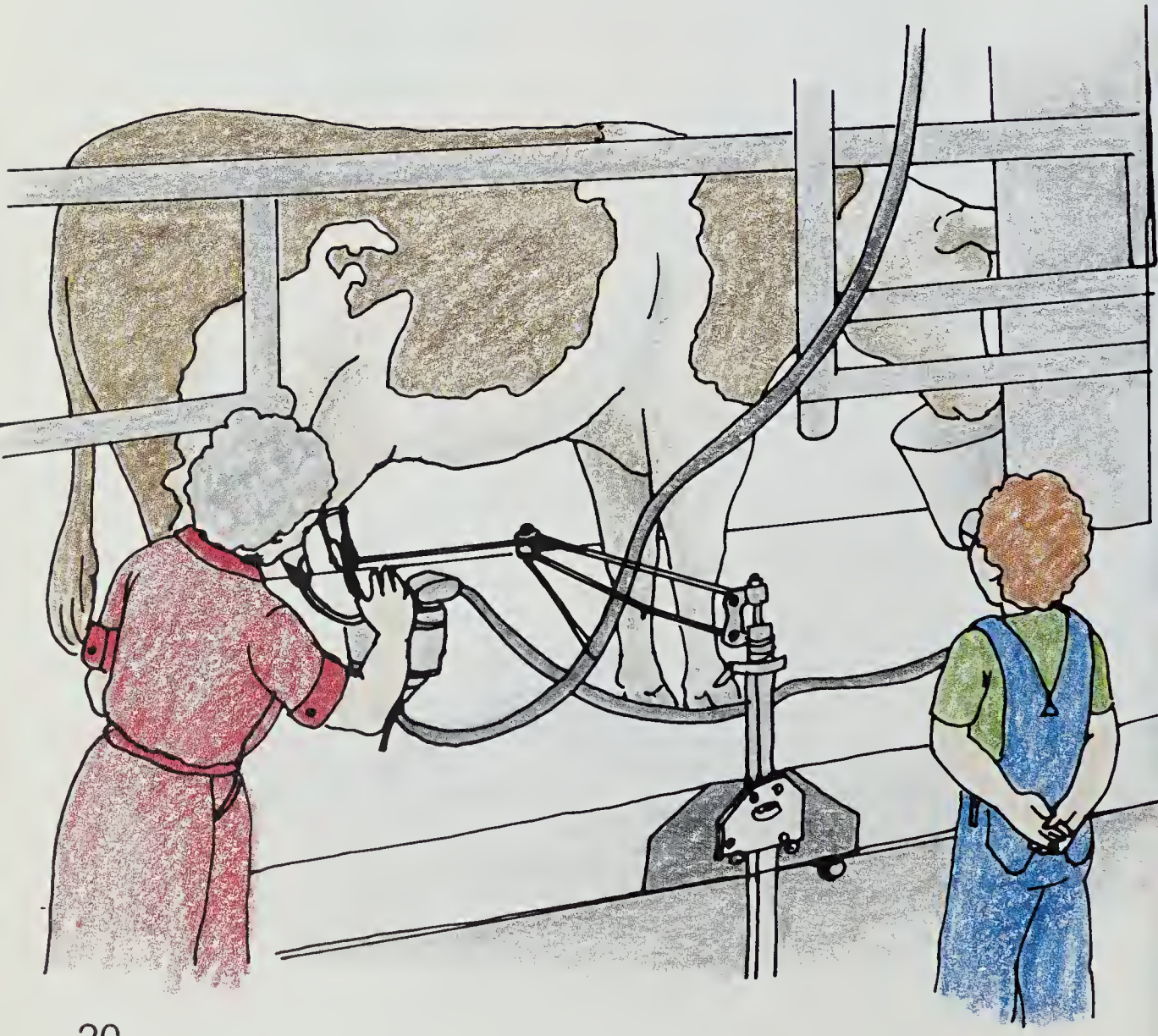
"My friend lives in the country, too. But her family doesn't live on a real farm. Their lot is too small. They have a big house, some horses, and a garden. We go to school together. Our school is in town. Every morning, the school bus picks us up at the end of her lane. We stay at school all day. I take my lunch in my new lunch pail. If we stay after school for activities, someone has to pick us up."

How do children get to school in your neighbourhood?

RULES

Farm neighbourhoods have rules. There are rules about watching out for animals on the roads. Farm families have rules, too. Children should not play near farm machinery. Farm machinery is large and can be very dangerous.

What kinds of safety rules are there in your neighbourhood?



ANIMAL CROSSING
MACHINE SHED
KEEP OUT

Farms change. Sometimes, farmers build new buildings and get more animals. Farmers can change the things they grow. They can buy land to make their farms bigger. They can sell their farms to towns and cities that need more land. The towns and cities can build new neighbourhoods on the farm land they buy.

How can your neighbourhood change?

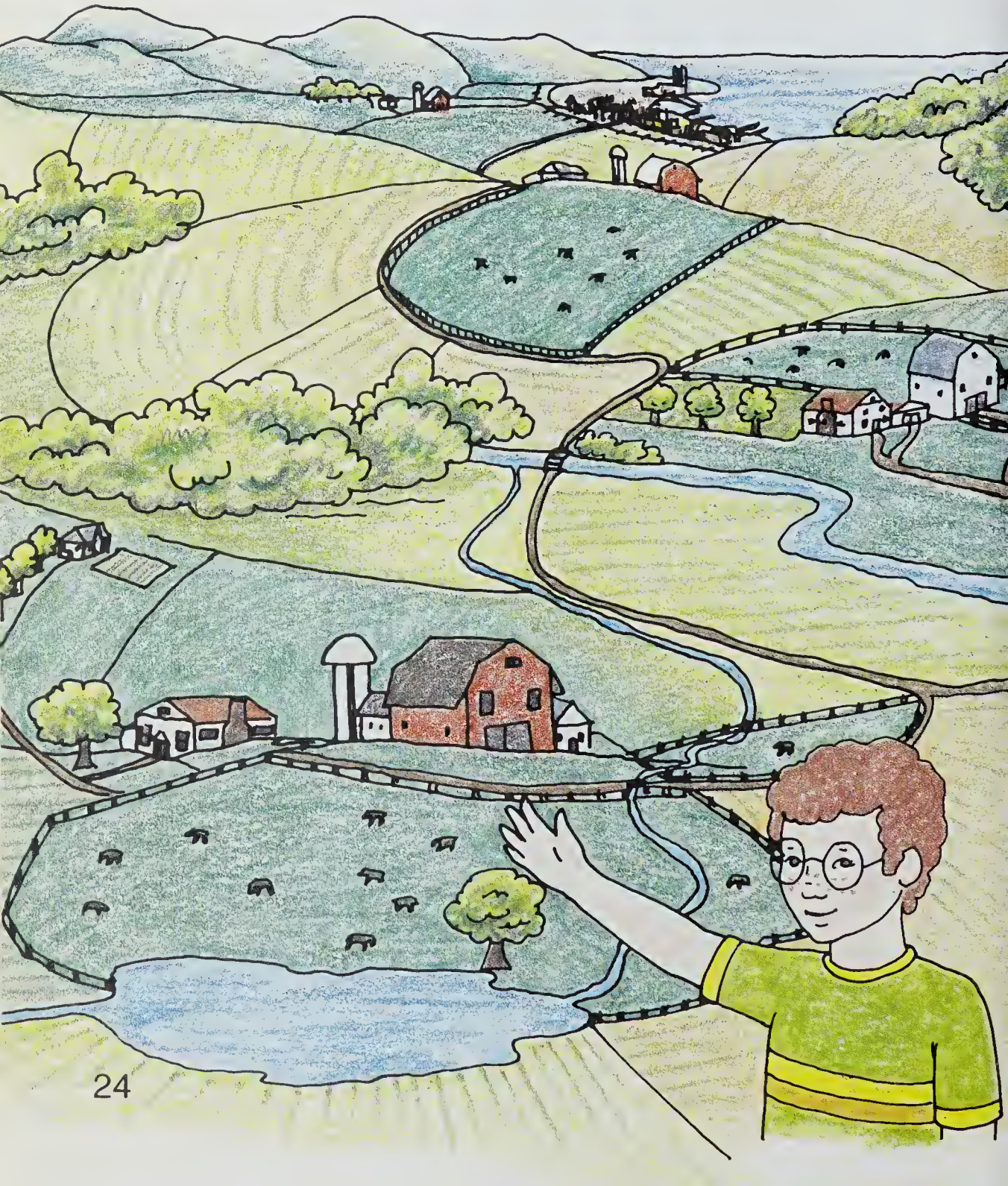
LAND FOR
SALE

PLAN

"Now you know something about our farm and our neighbourhood in the country."

What would you like most about living in a farm neighbourhood like this one? What would you like least? Why?

Do you live in a farm neighbourhood? How do you know?



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